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1. AS REPORTED IN BUENOS AIRES UR 3011, APRIL 6, 1973,
URUGUAY'S 1972-73 WHEAT PRODUCTION DROPPED TO 180,000 MT.
GOU WILL HAVE TO IMPORT ABOUT 210,000 MT OF WHEAT TO MEET
CY 1973 CONSUMPTION NEEDS. 140,000 MT HAS BEEN PURCHASED
FROM ARGENTINA AND 10,000 MT HAS BEEN DONATED BY EEC
LEAVING A PROJECTED SHORTFALL OF ABOUT 60,000 MT.

2. A COMBINATION OF UNUSUALLY WET WEATHER AND FARMER DIS-
SATISFACTION WITH GOU PRICING AND CREDIT POLICIES HAS RETARDED
PLANTING OF 19 73-74 CROP. MINISTER OF LIVESTOCK AND AGRICULTURE
ESTIMATES AREA TO BE PLANTED AT ABOUT 300,000 HECTARES; HOWEVER,
TRADE SOURCES DO NOT EXPECT TOTAL WHEAT ACREAGE TO EXCEED 200,000
HECTARES.

3. ASSUMING AN AVERAGE YIELD OF 1,000 KILOS PER HECTARE (68-72
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AVERAGE YIELD IS 1019 KILOS PER HECTARE), CY 1974 PRODUCTION WOULD BE BETWEEN 200,000 AND 300,000 MT. FIVE YEAR (67-71) DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION AVERAGE IS 374,000 MT; HOWEVER, DUE PRINCIPALLY TO GOU VEDA POLICY (THREE TO FOUR MONTH BAN ON BEEF CONSUMPTION) WHEAT CONSUMPTION INCREASED BY 14 PERCENT OVER THE FIVE YEAR AVERAGE DURING 1972, REACHING 426,000 MT.

4. THEREFORE, ACCEPTING THE ASSUMPTIONS OF REDUCED ACREAGE, AVERAGE YIELD, AND INCREASED CONSUMPTION, URUGUAY WILL PROBABLY REQUIRE FROM 125,000 TO 225,000 MT OF WHEAT IMPORTS DURING CY 1974.

5. GOU WOULD PREFER US CONCESSIONAL OR CCC CREDIT TERMS; HOWEVER, IF FORCED TO MAKE COMMERCIAL PURCHASES, GOU WOULD PROBABLY FIRST TRY TO BUY FROM ARGENTINA WITH US BEING SUPPLIER OF LAST RESORT.

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